

Juggernaut Pilgrimages in Orissa.

Mr. Hunter gives vivid picture of these pilgrimages. Day and night, through every month of the year, troops of devotees arrive at Puri, and for three hundred miles along the great Orissa road every village has its encampment. At the time of the great festivals the band follows so closely that they form a continuous procession miles upon miles in length. They march in orderly companies, each under its leader or guide. Those guides may be called the missionaries of Jagannath. About six thousand of them are attached to the temple from which they take their departure for every section of the country. The arrival of one of these pilgrim-hunters is a memorable event in the still life of a Hindoo village. He is known by his half-shaven head, coarse tunic, knapsack, and palm-leaf umbrella. He waits, patiently chewing his narcotic leaf, until the men have gone into the field, and then makes a round of visits among the women. He works alike upon their hopes and fears, their piety and their folly. The older ones long to look upon the face of the merciful god who will remit the sins of a life. The younger ones are allured by the prospect of a journey through strange lands. Widows catch at any thing to relieve the tedium of their blighted existence; childless wives long to pick up the berries from the child-giving banyan which grows in the sacred inclosure. In a few days the missionary has picked up a band of pilgrims. Fully nine out of ten are women, and when the bands come together on the great Orissa road they present a motley spectacle. Here are a company of white-clothed, slender women from Lower Bengal, limping wearily along. Next a train, clad in bright red or blue, with noses pierced with rings, trudges stoutly forward; they are the rugged peasantry of Northern India. Now and then a lady from near Delhi, ambling along upon a little pony, while her husband walks by her side. A bullock cart creaks past upon its wooden wheels. A long train of palanquins conveys a Calcutta banker and his family. Sometimes there is a great north country rajah, with a whole caravan of elephants, camels, and horses. But ninety-five out of a hundred of the pilgrims are on foot. Mingled with all are devotees of every sort, some covered with ashes, some nearly naked, with matted hair stained yellow. Almost all have their foreheads streaked with red and white paint, a string of beads around their necks, and a stout staff in their hands.

So this great spiritual army marches hundreds of miles along burning roads, across unbridged rivers, through pestilential jungles and swamps. Many perish by the way; all are weary and foot-sore. But no sooner are they within sight of the holy city than all the miseries of the journey are forgotten. They hurry across the ancient bridge with shouts and songs, and rush to one of the great artificial lakes and plunge beneath the sacred waters. The dirty bundles which they have carried all the long way are opened, and yield forth their treasures of spotless cotton, and the pilgrims, refreshed and cleanly clad, proceed to the temple to partake of the sacred rice which has been cooked within its walls—that sacred rice from which the Lord of the World longed in his old jungle home, and of which he now partakes four times a day in his temple.—A. H. Guernsey, in Harper's Monthly for July.

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"A man in whom the sources of feeling are as deep as they are delicate, as perennial as they are pure; whose affection becomes a burning ambition not to be outvied by hers, whose daily soul is large enough to guard her, even though it were at the cost of sharing it, from the tyranny of small corrective care which gnaws and gangrenes her—such a man alone can either comprehend or apprehend the love of such a woman.

"No man conceives what a woman will do or dare for him, until he has surprised her nature by the largest abnegation of which his own is capable. Let him but venture the experiment, if he will find him vanquished by her in generosity to the end of the sweet warfare. Then first he knows what he has won; for then only does she suffer him to know. It is not till then that reverence and surrender radically begin their life in her. Nay, then, he is the man, he only among men, who understands what a woman's tenderness is. With her he is a crowned creature; but with him she is a tree one."—An extract from the "Story of Avis," by Miss Phelps.



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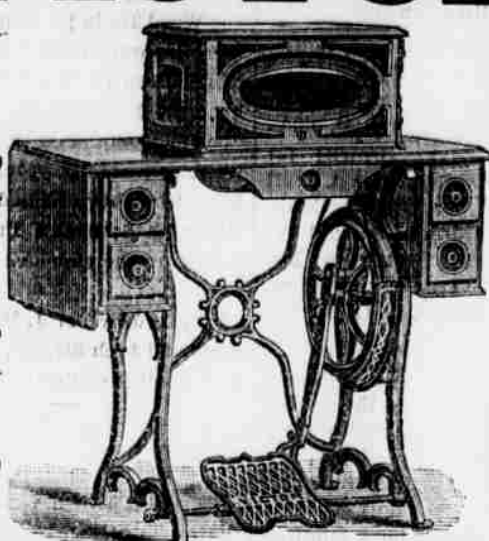
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A BOB LINCOLN STORY.—It is told of Robert Lincoln that when he was a boy—student at Phillips Academy—his father having been made President—he, with divers other students, played some innocent but mischievous pranks on the citizens of Exeter, such as making amusing changes of gates and signs in the night time. The citizens naturally did not like it, and the students, with the exception of Lincoln, were called to the justice's office next morning to answer for their mischief. Then stepped forth Lincoln, in a manly way, and said: "I see by the reading of the warrant that many of my school comrades are charged with committing offenses last evening against good order and the peace and dignity of this pleasant village. I was in company with many of the parties mentioned in that warrant, and it is my duty to state that I am equally amenable before the law. I therefore ask, before proceedings commence, that this warrant shall be amended by having my name inserted with the rest of my comrades, for I do not desire any person to shoulder any responsibility rightfully belonging to myself." No objection being made, the warrant was amended, also the certificate in summons, and all the students, including the president's son, were fined.

DEATH OF MRS. GOVERNOR CORWIN.—Mrs. Sarah Ross Corwin, widow of Governor Corwin, died suddenly of apoplexy, on the 10th inst., at the Lebanon home, in Ohio.

Mrs. Corwin was the daughter of Dr. John Ross. She was born at Westchester, Pa., July 19, 1795. On her mother's side she was connected with the Virginia Randolphs. Her brother, the Hon. Thos. Ross, was a member of Congress from the Lebanon district in 1828. In 1819 her father's family removed to Ohio. In 1822, November 13, she was married at Lebanon to the late Governor Corwin. There was her home ever since. She died in the very room in which, more than half a century before, she was married. With the exception of two years spent in Washington at the time Governor Corwin was Secretary of the Treasury under Mr. Fillmore, she lived in Lebanon, surrounded by her children, who loved her with a

tender devotion that no one could help noticing, and by friends and neighbors who held her in esteem for a nobility of motive, a sweetness of character, a sincerity of purpose, and a tenderness of disposition that unmistakably stamped her life. Mrs. Corwin had five children, all of whom survive her.

The Eyes That Weep.

NEW YORK, June 14.—The funeral service over the remains of Wm. Cullen Bryant took place here to-day at All Souls Church, which was crowded with distinguished citizens, members of the several arts and professions. The service lasted about an hour and a half and were conducted by Rev. W. Bellows, who also delivered an address, in which he said: "The whole country is bending with us, their favored representatives, over the bier that holds the dust of Bryant." At the conclusion of the services an opportunity was given to view the honored dead, and at half-past one o'clock the body of Mr. Bryant was removed to Roslyn, Long Island and placed by the side of his wife, as he had wished.

At the conclusion of Dr. Bellow's address the whole congregation united in singing a hymn written by Mr. Bryant, and commencing thus:

"Deem not that they are blest alone,
Whose days a peaceful tenor keep;
The God who loves our race has shown
A blessing for the eyes that weep."

It is proposed to erect in Central Park a statue of Mr. Bryant, to be placed near that of Mazzini, the unveiling of which was the indirect cause of Bryant's death. Mayor Ely is asked to become treasurer of the necessary fund, and to receive subscriptions of 5 cents and upwards.

THE PATH OF FRATERNITY.—It is not a bad story which one of the Southern exchanges tells illustrating the danger which still besets the path of fraternity. The Rev. J. Hughes was a loyal Tennesseean Methodist minister, who was in the Union army, and had one of his eyes shot out in the war. Not long since, in these better days of fraternity, a Southern Methodist brother was preaching for him who had been a zealous Confederate. The brother was eloquently describing the bliss of Heaven, and lingered over the thought that there would be no physical imperfections there. "All glorified bodies will be perfect," shouted the brother, and, turning to Brother Hughes, and seeing he was minus an eye, said: "Yes dear Brother Hughes, there will be no one-eyed saints in glory." "That is so," shouted Brother Hughes in reply, to the surprise of the preacher, "for there will be no rebels in Heaven to shoot out their eyes." The enthusiasm of the preacher is said to have suffered a check.—Independent.

Prof. J. L. Tait, of Edinburgh, Scotland who for some time was the chief of a geological surveying party sent out west of here by the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway company, is now engaged in locating lands in Western Texas for English capitalists.

The report of his trip, which was published in London by the professor, attracted so much attention to the valuable mineral deposits of Western Texas that his surveys were immediately engaged by prominent British capitalists, and he is now here in the employ.—Dallas Herald, May 11.

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